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**Ph.D. (Second Semester-Summer) Examinations, May - 2025
23SPPEME2013 - Welding Application Technology
(Mechanical Engineering)**

Time: 3 hrs

Maximum: 70 Marks

The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks.

Answer ANY FIVE Questions.

(14 x 5 = 70 Marks) Marks

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| 1.a. | How do tool design and process parameters affect joint quality in FSW? | 8 |
| b. | Discuss safety measures and the role of automation in enhancing FSW operations. | 6 |
| 2. | Discuss the microstructural changes in the weld zone, HAZ, and base metal during welding for different materials such as titanium alloys and composites. | 14 |
| 3.a. | How is finite element modelling used to simulate welding processes, including heat transfer, material behaviour, and residual stress prediction? | 7 |
| b. | How do these sensors contribute to detecting weld defects and ensuring process stability? | 7 |
| 4. | Describe the microstructural zones in FSW (nugget zone, TMAZ, HAZ) and their impact on the mechanical properties of welded materials like aluminium and steel. | 14 |
| 5.a. | How does joint design influence stress distribution and structural performance in welded structures, and what factors guide the selection of joint configurations? | 7 |
| b. | Discuss methods for analysing residual stresses and distortion in welded structures. | 7 |
| 6.a. | How do these sensors contribute to detecting weld defects and ensuring process stability? | 7 |
| b. | How are advanced techniques, such as infrared imaging and acoustic emission monitoring, applied to improve weld quality and productivity? | 7 |
| 7. | Differentiate SMAW, GMAW, and GTAW based on electrode type, shielding gas, and weld quality | 14 |
| 8.a. | Compare LBW and EBW in terms of heat input, precision, material compatibility, and industrial applications. | 7 |
| b. | What factors influence the selection and optimization of FCAW, GMAW, and SAW for different materials and applications? | 7 |

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